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1. I have heard that you are concerned with changes being discussed for procedures with our Oversight Committees. I want you to know that I proposed those changes in response to queries from the DDO and in professional loyalty to both Clair and to the DO. I haven't been at headquarters long enough to know how to build empires and I promise you that is not my intention here.

2. I do know that our present relations with the Hill are not working (maybe they never did or will). The problem is that we are simply taking too long to get back to them, sometimes legitimately so, but more often on rather simple straight forward matters that could and should be resolved by a phone call.

3. More fundamentally, however, I feel that DO area Division Chiefs have a responsibility that includes Congress, particularly in this day and age. That responsibility, in my view, includes record keeping, as well. I see our OLL responsibility as ensuring that any matter coordinated by the DO Division up through the DDO then goes out as an Agency statement representing appropriate coordination with the Comptroller, OCG etc. I see a shift away from the DO Division Chief's responsibility, and that bothers me.

4. That said, please be assured that I'm leading no palace coup at my end. I have talked with [redacted] (an old friend and former house mate) and I am providing him with every piece of correspondence on this with which I have anything to do. Chuck Briggs, and [redacted] are having a hard look at our service to both this Agency and Congress and I know they will be in touch with Clair and with you. Meanwhile we're going about our business as best we can and will proceed in a different mode when and if that decision is made.

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5. Please forgive this rather gratuitous note. It is well meant, with the hope that you will call me if you have any questions or comments. Thanks, and Merry Christmas.

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